

# Autumn Air Care Activities

## Car Care

- ▶ *Winterizing your car helps improve its efficiency.*
- ▶ *Starting November 1, regional fuels are blended with ethanol; an oxygenate that helps to reduce emissions (air pollution) and improve the efficiency of your engine in cooler months.*
- ▶ *Slowing down improves your fuel economy one % for each mile below 65 mph.*
- ▶ *Make sure those tires are pumped up to save fuel, reduce air pollution, and minimize tire wear.*



## Wood Burning Stoves & Fireplace Maintenance

- ▶ *Make sure the flue for your wood-burning appliance is cleaned by a professional for efficient air flow and minimal smoke.*
- ▶ *Burn dry, seasoned hard woods or pellets. Green or soft woods generate more smoke and less warmth.*
- ▶ *Do not burn treated or painted lumber that may contain toxic chemicals like arsenic, chromium, lead, or pentachlorophenol.*
- ▶ *Avoid closing the damper too tightly because this restricts air flow to the burning wood and generates more carbon monoxide.*

